

Eddie Sleeper

From: Micheal Grudnicki <rotunda1954@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 28, 2018 3:04 PM
To: Eddie Sleeper
Subject: Testimony for January 30, 2018 Energy CMTE Meeting
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Dear House Energy Policy Committee Members

I am unable to attend the House Energy Policy Committee Hearing today, but still believe this is a very important issue. I originally received a letter at my home in Westland Michigan on 8/27/2013 stating that advanced metering was to roll out in my area. I sent a request by certified letter to DTE on 9/13/2103 asking to retain my analog electric meters (one regular and the 2nd for interruptible service for the air conditioner) but received no answer. I have survived cancer twice and suffer from Sleep Apnea which requires me to use a CPAP machine to have quality sleep. I had done some research that indicated that ongoing exposure to RF and microwave radiation may be detrimental to my health. I installed a lock on my meters and posted a sign "Do not Install a Smart Meter".

I received a second letter on 10/17/2014 stating that DTE had heard no response from me, and that it was imperative that they have access to my meters or my electrical service "may be interrupted within 15 calendar days". There was no follow up to this notice from DTE.

I received a third letter on 7/11/2016 stating that DTE had made multiple attempts to complete installation of advanced metering equipment and that "no existing analog meters could be retained by the customer". I had not received any correspondence after the 10/2014 letter.

I received my first shut off notice on 11/1/2017 stating that my electric service was scheduled for disconnection on or after November 13, 2017. I received a second shut off notice stating the same information on 11/7/2017 (page one included on second one as backs identical).

After discussing the ramifications of living with no electric service with my family and speaking with Senator Patrick Colbeck about this issue, I removed the lock from my electric meters and called DTE for an appointment to change the meter. DTE changed the meters on November 15, 2017.

I continue to worry that this heightened exposure to RF and microwave radiation is having an adverse effect on me and on my family which may not be proven for years. Other toxins such as asbestos and cigarette smoking were not recognized for decades after their initial widespread use. As a long term customer in good standing, it appalls me that DTE has totally disregarded my requests and that there are not any other options for obtaining power in Michigan.

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Westland, MI 48185
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DTE Energy

October 17, 2014

MICHAEL L GRUDNICKI
7566 ALMA CT
WESTLAND, MI 48185-7688

RE: 7566 ALMA CT, WESTLAND, MI 48185-7688
Meter Number 4489900

Dear MICHAEL L GRUDNICKI:

We are sending this letter because we have received no response to our previous correspondence and/or field visit(s) regarding our Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Program. As of today, you have either not contacted us to enroll in the Opt-Out Program and/or have refused us access to our metering equipment.

It is imperative that we gain access to our metering equipment located on your property. As stated in the Company's Standards and Billing Practice Rule approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission - C5.4 - Access to Premises *"As a condition of taking service, authorized employees and agents of the Company shall have access to the customer's premise at all reasonable hours to install, turn-on, disconnect, inspect, read, repair or remove its meter ... Failure of the customer to comply ... may result in termination of service after due notice"*.

If access is not granted, DTE Electric may interrupt your electric service **WITHIN 15 CALENDAR DAYS** of the date on this notice. If service is interrupted, you will be required to pay a reconnect fee to have your service restored.

To prevent interruption of your electric service, please call us at **1-800-477-4747** to arrange to have the new advanced meter installed and/or enroll in our Opt-Out Program. Please note that providing access to our metering equipment is **not optional** - it is a requirement with which customers must comply. We appreciate your cooperation.

IF THE METER EXCHANGE HAS ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS, PLEASE DISREGARD THIS NOTICE.

Thank you for being a valued DTE Electric customer.

Sincerely,

The Advanced Metering Team



DTE Energy

IMMEDIATE REPLY REQUESTED

July 07, 2016

**MICHAEL L GRUDNICKI
7566 ALMA CT
WESTLAND, MI 48185-7688**

Regarding: 7566 ALMA CT, WESTLAND, MI 48185
Electric Meter Number(s) 2496741

Dear DTE Energy Customer:

Our records indicate that after multiple attempts we have not been able to complete the installation of our Advanced Metering equipment, which replaces our existing metering equipment at the above referenced address. This letter is to inform you that we are quickly approaching the completion of our Advanced Metering Project and the existing meter(s) at this site must be replaced.

As of today, DTE Energy has replaced over 3 million of its electric meters and gas modules and we anticipate completing all installations by the end of 2016. There is no cost to you for the meter replacement and the installation will only take a few minutes to complete. Please contact us at **800-477-4747** to schedule an appointment for the meter installation.

Safety is our #1 priority and all customers receiving utility service from us must have a new approved DTE Energy meter installed by our authorized field representative.

We want you to know that we value you as a customer and will work with you to complete the meter replacement. Please be assured that DTE Energy has the highest regard for our customers and remains confident in the safety, security and benefits provided by our advanced meters. We are in full compliance with all federal, state and local laws and have been since the first advanced meter was installed in 2008.

If you are a residential customer and not interested in receiving the new transmitting (radio on) Advanced Meter, you can enroll in our Opt-Out Program by calling us at **800-477-4747**. This program allows for a non-transmitting (radio off) Advanced Meter to be installed and the following fees will be assessed to your account.

- \$67.20 AMI Opt-Out Initial Fee
- \$9.80 AMI Opt-Out Monthly Charge

Please note that DTE Energy is replacing all existing analog meters and none can be retained by the customer.

If we are unable to access our metering equipment, your electric service may be disconnected until the meter replacement is completed.

For additional information about our Advanced Metering Program, visit www.dteenergy.com/advancedmeter.

Sincerely,

Advanced Metering Team



DTE Energy

November 06, 2017

IMMEDIATE REPLY REQUESTED

**MICHAEL GRUDNICKI
7566 ALMA CT
WESTLAND, MI 48185**

Regarding: 7566 ALMA CT, WESTLAND 48185
Meter Number: 2496741

Dear : MICHAEL GRUDNICKI

We have made several attempts to contact you to gain access to our metering equipment in order to upgrade our electric meter. We have not received a response to the previous correspondence we sent you. Therefore, we will proceed with exercising our right to disconnect your electric service.

Please be advised that the electric service is scheduled for disconnection on or after November 13, 2017.

If your service is disconnected, then you may be required to pay a reconnection fee in order to reinstate service at the aforementioned address.

To prevent interruption of your electric service, you must contact us **immediately** at **313-235-4009** to arrange to have the meter upgrade completed. Our office hours are Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Special short time offer for those that call now! Given that we are near the end of our installation program, if you call us prior to **November 08, 2017** to arrange for the meter upgrade, once the meter upgrade has been completed, you will receive a \$50 gift card as our way of saying thank you for being a valued DTE Energy customer.

If you would like to enroll in our Opt-Out Program, then please make us aware of that decision when you contact us. This program allows for a **non-transmitting, (radio off)** advanced meter to be installed and the following fees will be assessed to your account.

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Please note that providing access to our metering equipment is **not optional**. It is a requirement that you must comply with based on the terms under which you take service from DTE Electric.

Please give this matter your prompt attention and thank you for being a valued DTE Electric customer.

Sincerely,

DTE Electric

DTE Electric **SHUT OFF NOTICE**

NAME OF CUSTOMER OF RECORD: MICHAEL GRUDNICKI

ADDRESS SUBJECT TO SHUT-OFF: 7566 ALMA CT, WESTLAND , MI 48185

REASON FOR SHUT-OFF: Michigan Public Service Commission Rule 460.137. The customer has refused to arrange access at reasonable times for the purpose of inspection, meter reading, maintenance, or replacement of equipment that is installed upon the premises, or for the removal of a meter.

DATE OF SHUT OFF: **ON OR AFTER November 13, 2017**

Please contact the Company Immediately. If we do not hear from you, disconnection of service can occur on or after **November 13, 2017.**

To discuss resolution of this matter, please contact the utility at **313-235-4009**, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (EDT), Monday - Friday.

As stated in Michigan Public Service Commission Rule 460.139 customer has the right to the following:

- File a complaint disputing the claim of the utility before the proposed date of the shutoff of service.
- Request a hearing before a utility hearing officer if the complaint cannot be otherwise resolved and that the customer must continue to pay their utility bill to the utility.
- Represent himself or herself, to be represented by counsel, or to be assisted by other persons of his or her choice in the complaint process.

Note:

In addition to the customer rights above, further information regarding the provisions of MPSC Rule 460.139 is provided along with shut-off notices as per state regulatory agency requirements. Based on the reason for the shut-off of service some or all of these provisions may not be applicable to your situation. If applicable, the utility will not shut off service pending the resolution of a complaint that is filed with the utility or the commission in accordance with these rules. The customer should contact a social services agency immediately if the customer believes he or she might be eligible for an energy assistance program or other emergency economic assistance and should inform the utility of any efforts being made to obtain payment assistance. Customers who believe they may be eligible for assistance from an energy assistance program should determine if assistance is available before signing a settlement agreement because many agencies will not provide assistance if shutoff is avoided by signing a settlement agreement. The utility will postpone the shutoff of service if a certified medical emergency exists at the customer's residence or the customer is an eligible low-income customer who is actively seeking emergency assistance from an energy assistance program. The utility may require a deposit and restoration charge if the utility shuts off service for nonpayment of a delinquent account or for unauthorized use of utility service. The customer should contact the utility for information about a shutoff protection program. To make an inquiry, discuss payment options or a potential complaint or enter into a settlement agreement, please contact the utility.



DTE Energy

October 31, 2017

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WESTLAND, MI 48185**

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